



American Recovery and Reinvestment Act



Merrick County

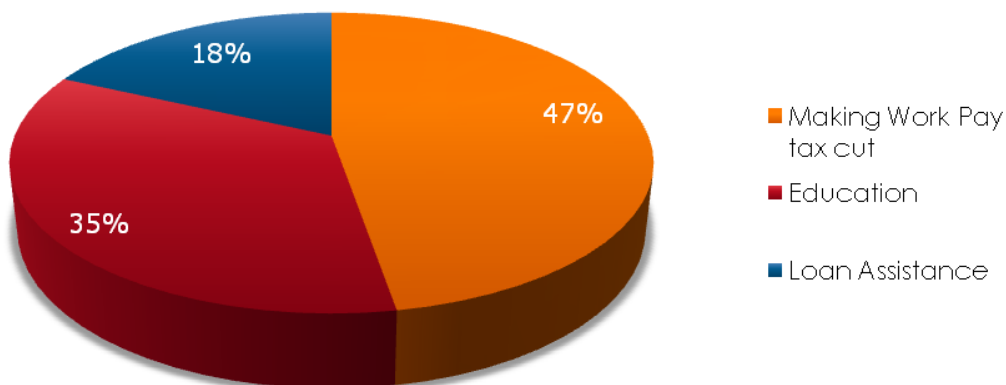
+ \$3,121,000



TAX CUTS

684,000 Nebraskans are benefitting from the Making Work Pay tax cut, putting \$9 million per week into Nebraskans' pockets, or \$346 million last year¹. For Merrick County, that meant a savings of over **\$1,476,000** in taxes in 2009².

Division of Funding in Merrick County



EDUCATION

Merrick County's school districts were saved from making further cuts to their budgets through the use of over **\$1,079,000** in Recovery Act funds, including over³:

Central City Public Schools	\$754,000
Palmer Public Schools	\$239,000
Educational Service District #7*	\$86,000

LOAN ASSISTANCE

Over **\$566,000** in Rural Housing Insurance Guaranteed Loans were awarded to individuals in Merrick County⁴.



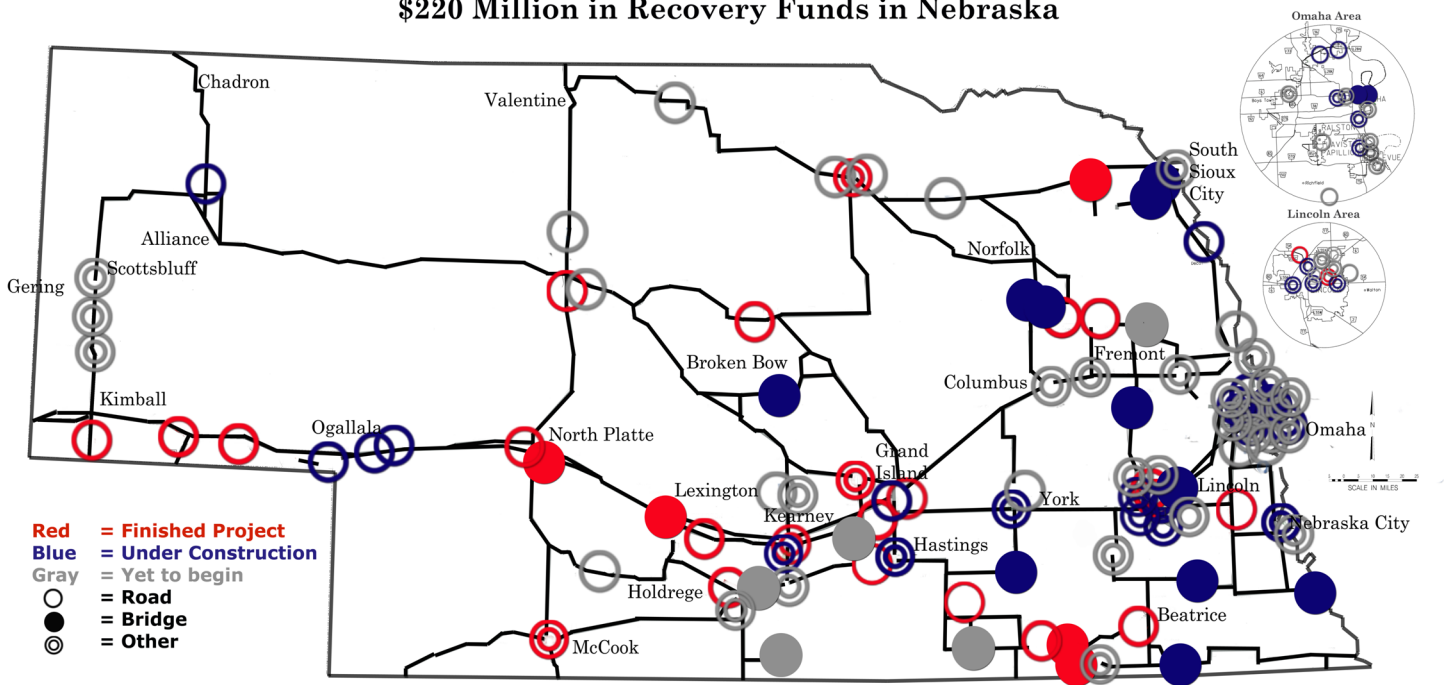
FIRST TIME HOMEBUYER CREDIT

More than 22,000 Nebraskans benefited from the First Time Homebuyer tax credit, returning more than **\$155.8 million** to the Nebraska economy from 2008 to 2010⁵.



Road Map to Recovery

\$220 Million in Recovery Funds in Nebraska



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Summary

Tax Cuts	\$ 1,476,000
Education	\$ 1,079,000
Loan Assistance	\$ 566,000
Total	\$3,121,000

Endnotes

1. Hungerford, Thomas, Congressional Research Service memo to Senator Nelson: "Impact of Making Work Pay Tax Credit on Nebraska"; March 27, 2009.
2. \$346 million x Merrick County's percentage of Nebraska's population
3. Nebraska Department of Education, "Summary ARRA Allocations," http://www.nde.state.ne.us/ARRA/PDF/ARRA_Grant_Allocations_All_Programs.pdf (Accessed 07/22/2010).
4. "Data_Feed.csv," USAspending.gov, <http://www.usaspending.gov/data?carryfilters=on> (Accessed: 07/27/2010).
5. Internal Revenue Service Memo to Senator Nelson, "First Time Homebuyer Credit Volume," July 29, 2010.

This information is accurate as of July 21, 2010.

* These school districts are located in multiple counties.

